GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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SPEED OF GOODS TRAINS
BASUDEB ACHARIA;JAI PRAKASH

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Railways have not been able to increase the speed of its goods trains even after a period of 52 years; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) : No, Sir. The average speed of goods trains from 1950- 51 onwards has been progressively increased as given below:-

Year	Average Speed
1950-51	12.9 kmph
1960-61	16.1 kmph
1970-71	17.9 kmph
1980-81	19.7 kmph
1990-91	22.7 kmph
1999-2000	23.8 kmph

(b) Does not arise.